teaching profession, to have faith in the impartiality of headmasters. A few erring headmasters should not be made the basis for making a general accusation of vindictiveness on the part of headmasters as a whole.

Awards by Industrial Tribunals.

* 2840 *Q*.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have received any representation alleging non-implementation of the award of the Industrial Tribunal, Coimbatore, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 7th July 1954, regarding Industrial Dispute No. 18 of 1949 by which 122 owners of handloom factories in Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar, have to give bonus for their workers for the years 1946, 1947 and 1948 and if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir. The Government have ordered the prosecution of the managements of ten handloom factories which have not implemented the award. The workers have been advised through their Union to put in claim petitions under section 20 of the Industrial Disputes (Appellate Tribunal) Act, 1950. The claims received by the Government are being verified by the Labour Officer, Mangalore.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN : According to the Industrial Disputes Act, the Government have to take action if an award is not implemented within one month from the date of the award. This is a question about the workers getting bonus for the year 1946. Nine years have elapsed. May I know why the Government have delayed taking action against the managements and whether they will be pleased to instruct the Collector of Malabar to realise the amount from the factory owners under the Madras Land Revenue Recovery Act?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Government have to take certain steps before ordering prosecution. A show cause notice has to be issued and we have to wait till the stipulated time for receipt of the reply. After the receipt of the reply, we have to verify certain things and that will take some time. The Government are taking all possible steps to have the dues recovered under the existing law.

SRI K. T. SREEDHARAN : Why should the Government launch prosecution proceedings only against the managements of ten factories instead of against all the managements who have defaulted in this matter?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Out of the 123 handloom factories covered by this award, the managements of 105 factories are reported to have implemented the award.